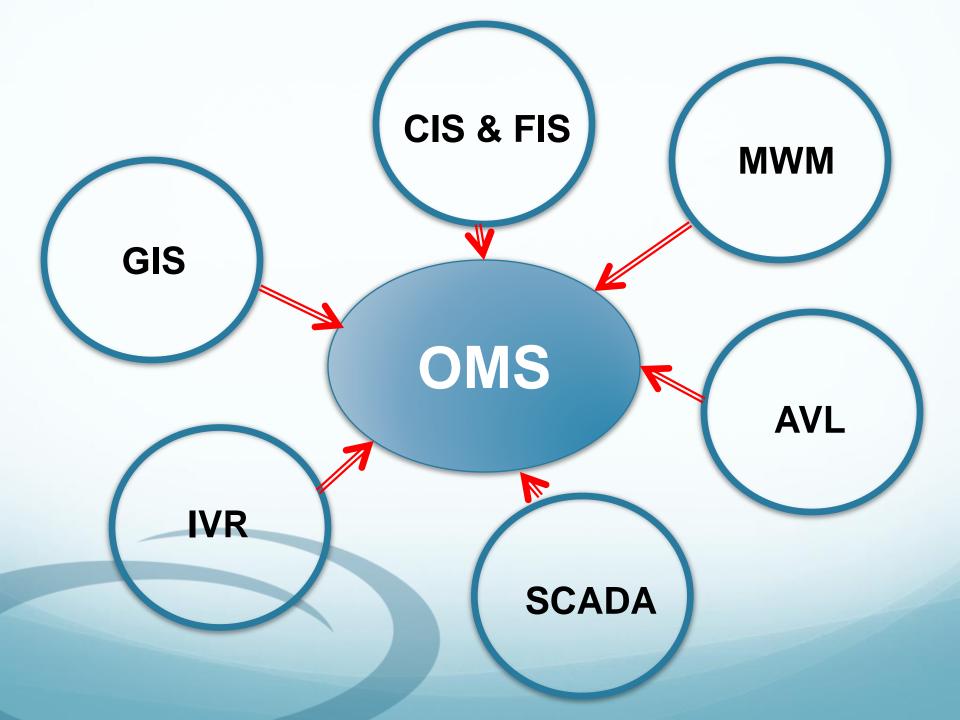


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Otter Tail Power Company's Interruption Monitoring System

Interruption Monitoring System IMS





Original IMS Requirements

- Low Cost
- Easy installation and maintenance
- Economical and reliable communications method
- Supportable system that avoids technical obsolescence over it's useful life
- Data
 - Operational optimization
 - Historic analysis
- System expansion capabilities to grow with Otter Tail Power

TVM Pricing

- TVM-1 \$900
 - \$15 activation fee
 - \$74 data fee
 - .50 per customer per year
- TVM-3 \$1200
 - \$15 activation fee
 - \$74 data fee

Two Objectives:

• Primary Objective: Provide interruption data to be used to make operational decisions and prioritize future maintenance and capital upgrades.

 Secondary Objective: Provide accurate data used in the calculations of performance reliability indices as required by regulatory entities



System Overview

Otter Tail Power Company measures reliability at the feeder level



How it Works...

- Sensus provides end to end solution comprised of three main elements:
 - Intelligent field devices
 - Commercial cellular data service and network management
 - PowerVistaTM software applications



Wireless Communication Link

- communications based on commercial cellular networks
 - General Packet Radio Service (GPRS) technology on the AT&T nationwide GSM network (including roaming partners)
 - 1XRTT packet data technology on CDMA networks through Aeris.net.

IMS System Capabilities

- Reliability Reporting:
 - SAIDI, SAIFI, CAIDI, MAIFI, etc.
- User Notification event based action
- Power Quality Analysis
- IMS Mapping Tool

Graphs and charts

User Notifications

- 77 separate event based actions
- Over 120 individual recipients, including 15 distribution groups
 - Customer service centers
 - Operational maintenance folks
 - Manufacturing customers
 - Institutional customers
- Email, wireless text messaging.





Power Quality Analysis

- The IMS reports type II and III power quality events based on the ITIC (CBEMA) voltage acceptability curve
- over/under voltage monitoring ALARMS
 - Three under
 - Two over
- Otter Tail Power Company utilizes TVM-3 voltage monitors for PQ Analysis.

IMS Mapping Tool

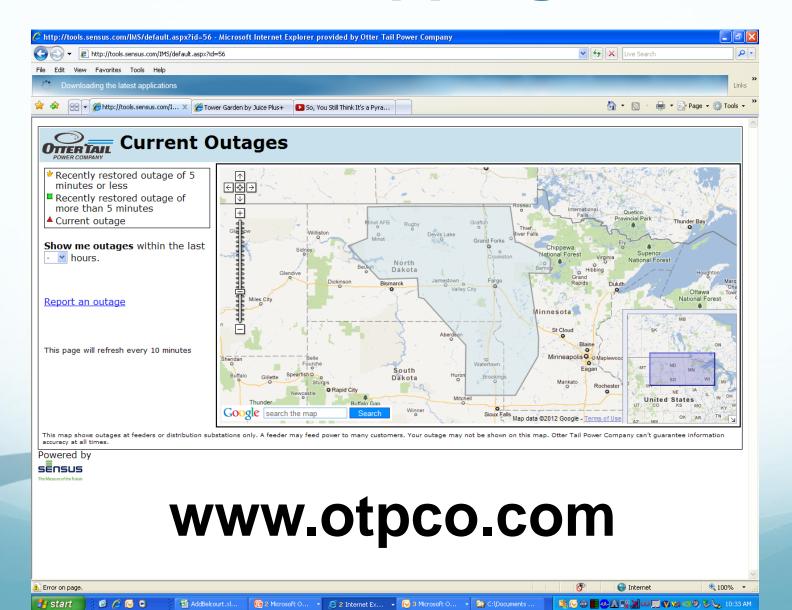
- Implemented winter 2008/2009
- Developed by Telemetric–Sensus Technical Team
- Prompted by customer service and operational folks in the field....

IMS table, map demo

IMS Mapping Tool

- Telemetric-Sensus came up with idea of integrating data onto Google Maps
- All functionality of Google Maps
 - Zoom, pan, search, etc
 - Map view, satellite view, hybrid
- Has provided tremendous reliability awareness to all levels of the organization.
- Graphical mapping interface has greatly improved interruption response times from CSR's

IMS Mapping Tool



Demo...

https://powervista.sensus.com/login/